

South Danvers May 15. 1860

Dear Friend & Brother

Your letter has just come to hand, and as A & C thinks of going to the city to morrow I will try to answer it. I am very sorry to hear that you have got so unpleasant place to board it must seem very lonely to you when you go to the house it makes my blood run cool and I should think it would hurt much more we think of you every meal times & thought much of you last Sunday I should think it would seem more like a prison then any thing else I would not stay there any longer then you could get another place its so bad I dont see how you can put up with her. Well what kind of fare do you have is that in keeping with her do you have good comedition

I am glad you keep out of her way all  
you can. Oh it is in such places  
that we need the whole armor of God to  
keep us when faith and patience is sorely  
tried, I trust you will realize the worth of  
prayer more than ever pray for her ~~thrift~~  
<sup>your</sup> ~~vile~~ as she may be whom knows but that  
earnest resting prayer can wonders do in  
that house. I should like to take a fresh  
view and see you faint do you like it  
as well as you thought you should I  
hope you will prosper & make out well as  
you expected to you had better keep a  
good look out and see that they dont  
come a game over you you wanted to  
know when Nathan was going in the  
country he is quite undecided & as yet  
he dont know wher to go he has been  
advised to go down where James Rose  
live to spend the summer so I cannot  
tell you when or wher we shall go I  
chose to stay at home if it is for the



best but I dont think N will  
be able to stand the hot wether  
~~that~~ hot wath took hold of him very  
much Well I suppose you would like  
to know what I am doing I have been  
out to work in the front yard to day  
diging up and sowing seed it is some  
work I hear that old Mrs Winchester  
has had a shock of palsy yesterday ~~She~~  
Elizabeth Wilson was brought home from  
Boston she has been very sick for ten  
days past I believe she had 4 Doctors  
one day I will tell you the rest when I  
see you. It seems that Mr Murry has  
had several <sup>calls</sup> to leave his people but has  
refused them all pretty sharp faces came  
out in the paper a few days since  
about the robbing the churches Mr Hoffung  
has asked his dismission to leave Salanz  
on account of his wifes health his people  
feels it badly Mr Murry preached there  
last sunday he offered to assist them

all he could he said he would tend  
their funerals or any thing else he could  
doe for them I stayed at home all  
day sundy I herd that Mr. Wil-  
had great meeting ther, if you have  
time I would go into the mornng  
meeting some times and see what they  
doe ther it will be pleasant ther to  
be with your mistress it is getting  
late I must close by asking you to  
over look all the faults in this letter please  
burne it as soon as you read dont let it  
lay on your table come down as often  
as you can writ soon so I good by

Yours truly

Martha A Proctor